



Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition

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Reporting for the week ending October 21, 2012

General

On average, farmers had 5.5 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies were 5 percent very short, 20 percent short, 67 percent adequate and 8 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 12 percent very short, 31 percent short, 53 percent adequate and 4 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 34 degrees Fahrenheit at Mountain Home to 48 degrees Fahrenheit at North Little Rock. Highs ranged from 78 degrees Fahrenheit at Fayetteville and Newport to 85 degrees Fahrenheit at DeQueen and Eudora.

Crops

Cotton was 79 percent harvested. Rice was 99 percent harvested. Soybeans were 99 percent yellowing, 96 percent shedding and 92 percent mature. Seventy-five percent of soybeans were harvested. Winter wheat was 36 percent planted and 18 percent emerged. The major farming activities for the week included harvesting remaining crops and hay, planting wheat, and making land preparations for 2013.

Livestock

Livestock were in fair condition. Pasture and range conditions were mostly poor to good.

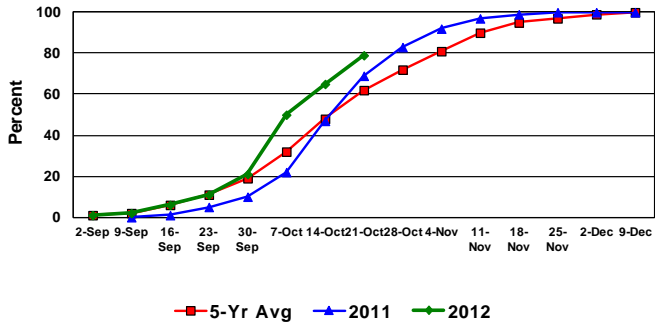
Percent of Progress

Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2011	5-Year Avg
Cotton	Harvested	79	65	69	62
Rice	Harvested	99	98	90	89
Soybeans	Yellowing	99	98	98	97
	Shedding	96	92	88	89
	Mature	92	85	78	78
	Harvested	75	64	58	56
Winter Wheat	Planted	36	25	39	29
	Emerged	18	8	13	11

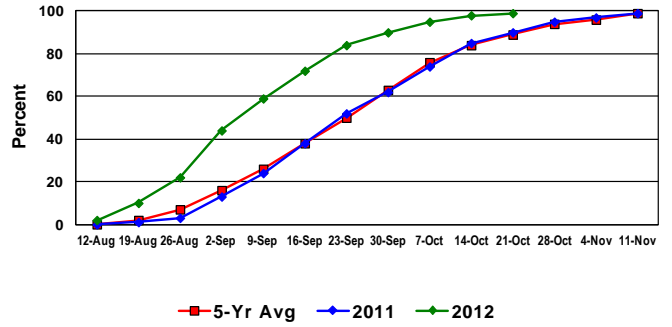
Condition in Percentages

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Hay-Alfalfa	18	26	32	24	0
Hay-Other	15	30	37	16	2
Pasture and Range	11	22	44	21	2

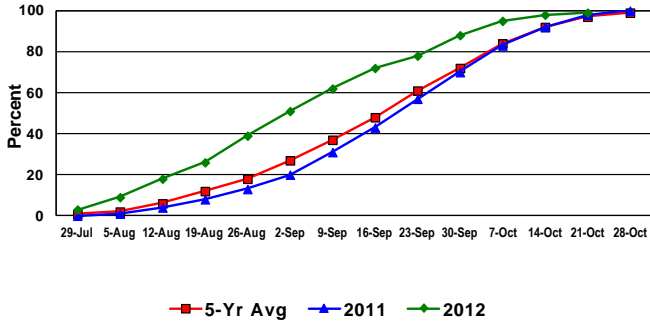
Cotton Harvested



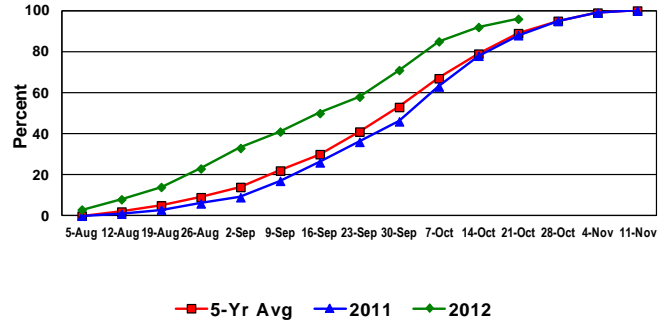
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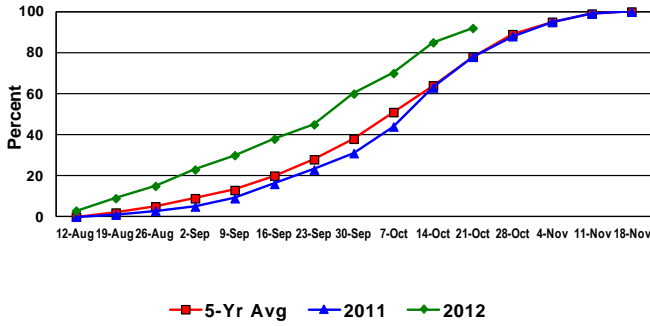
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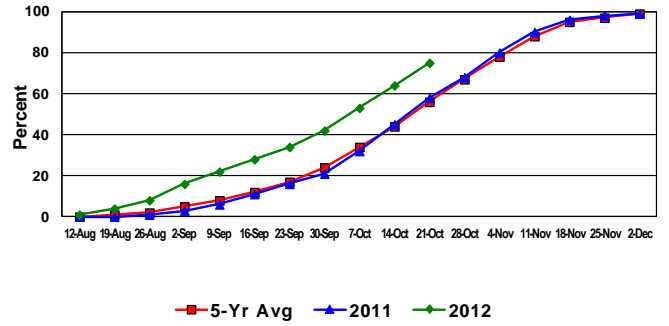
Soybeans Shedding



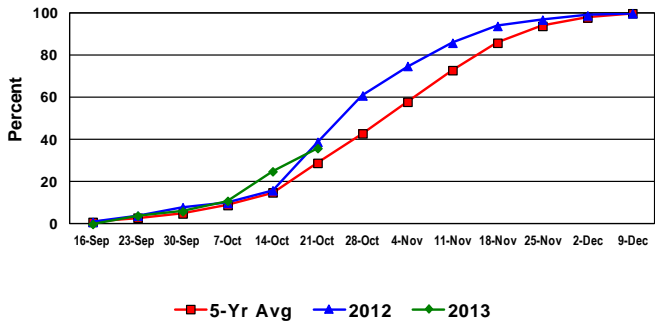
Soybeans Mature



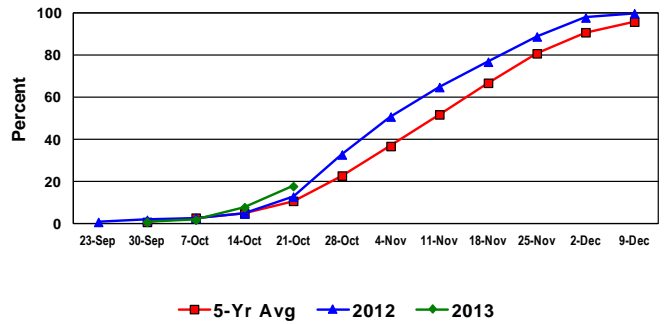
Soybeans Harvested



Winter Wheat Planted



Winter Wheat Emerged



Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending Oct 21, 2012

District	Station	Temperatures			Rainfall				
		High	Low	Dep from Normal *	Wk Ending Oct 21	4 wk Accum	4 wk Normal	Year-to-Date	
								2012	Normal
Northwest	Fayetteville	78	35	3	0.18	2.92	4.18	26.76	39.41
	Harrison	80	39	4	0.06	3.30	3.29	26.39	35.44
N. Central	Calico Rock	80	37	-1	0.45	3.68	3.84	32.32	37.56
	Gilbert	82	35	-1	0.15	3.28	3.58	29.63	37.27
	Greers Ferry	80	39	0	0.07	3.43	3.92	32.74	38.77
	Mtn. Home	80	34	-1	0.42	3.58	3.44	35.94	37.65
Northeast	Batesville	79	40	0	0.17	5.38	3.66	28.16	37.20
	Blytheville	80	43	2	1.25	4.30	3.48	25.04	38.50
	Jonesboro	82	43	1	0.45	2.94	3.72	25.21	36.96
	Keiser	81	42	1	1.82	4.29	3.70	30.12	39.10
	Newport	78	43	0	0.57	3.46	3.39	33.06	37.23
W. Central	Booneville	82	38	0	0.00	2.92	4.17	37.15	38.95
	Clarksville	79	42	0	0.00	3.20	3.83	27.98	39.25
	Dardanelle	80	38	0	0.00	1.99	4.17	27.86	38.02
	Ft. Smith	84	42	4	0.00	2.90	3.88	30.59	36.25
	Mena	79	38	-1	0.02	5.03	5.29	41.74	46.23
	Ozark	79	42	1	0.01	5.61	3.99	33.85	38.21
Central	Conway	83	42	1	0.01	3.19	3.61	34.10	37.78
	Hot Springs	81	45	1	0.00	2.34	4.85	38.33	44.21
	Little Rock	84	42	1	0.05	1.79	4.07	33.78	37.71
	Morrilton	83	37	0	0.00	4.21	3.84	34.77	38.01
	N. Little Rock	82	48	1	0.05	2.42	3.95	34.79	37.86
E. Central	Brinkley	81	43	1	0.10	2.44	3.67	31.41	37.13
	Marianna	81	43	1	1.56	4.39	3.43	26.86	38.58
	Stuttgart	81	46	1	0.41	1.92	3.76	33.94	37.93
	West Memphis	80	39	0	0.71	2.86	3.69	33.16	40.33
Southwest	DeQueen	85	36	0	0.00	1.14	3.97	24.32	38.29
	Hope	84	39	0	0.00	1.46	4.46	37.38	42.11
	Texarkana	83	45	3	0.02	2.09	4.14	25.94	38.04
S. Central	Camden	84	40	0	0.04	3.74	4.32	40.81	40.66
	El Dorado	84	41	1	0.37	4.39	4.31	37.46	41.04
	Fordyce**	82	40	0	0.35	3.79	4.61	42.77	34.57
Southeast	Eudora	85	44	-1	0.98	7.40	4.10	45.09	44.35
	Monticello	83	42	0	0.96	5.77	3.79	34.02	41.01
	Pine Bluff	83	40	0	0.10	2.59	4.17	38.84	39.11
	Rohwer	82	43	0	0.60	5.10	3.45	34.97	39.06

* Departure from normal = $\frac{(\text{high} - \text{low})}{2} - 30 \text{ year average}$

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** Fordyce station added in March of 2012. Year-to-date rainfall totals will cover the period March 2012 – November 2012.